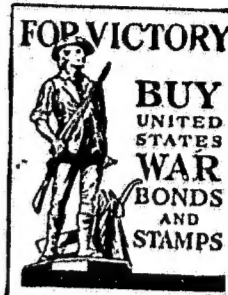


GOD COULD NOT BE EVERYWHERE AND THEREFORE HE MADE MOTHERS.—Jewish Proverb



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CAPT. BROWN TELLS WOMEN OF DEFENSE ORGANIZATION'S PART IN CIVILIAN PROGRAM

There was a good attendance of women here Sunday afternoon when some 20 members of the Women's Defense Organization of Norway, under Captain Ernestine Brown, gave a drill at the Field House, followed by an interesting explanatory talk by Captain Brown at the Legion Rooms. Lunch was served at the Legion Rooms.

There is considerable interest in the formation of a women's group in Bethel. The objects of this organization in no way conflict with any of the projects now under way, and are fully in accord with the program of Civilian Defense. It has been suggested that those interested in assisting in this work should contact any of the heads of the local Civilian Defense program for information.

STATE ALLOWED 226 CARS—528 BICYCLES, IN MAY

Maine's quota of new passenger automobiles for rationing in May has been set at 226 with a reserve of 29 it was announced at Augusta from the Maine Office of Price Administration. These figures indicate an increase of 51 cars over the April quota and an increase of six cars in the reserve quota, according to Norman L. Mathews, State Auto and Bicycle Rationing Officer.

Bicycle quotas for May have also been established with Maine's share numbering 528, plus a reserve quota of 264.

P. T. A. TO MEET MONDAY

The Parent Teacher Association will meet at the Grammar School Monday evening at 8 o'clock.

The following program has been arranged: selections, girls' trio; vocal solo, Mary Gibbs; trumpet duet, Laurence and Donald Lord; Science quiz contest between boys and girls of the 8th grade; vocal duet, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Briggs; selections, male quartet; surprise feature to be announced.

John MacClain is chairman of the committee, assisted by Mrs. Earl Davis and Mrs. Eugene Van. Refreshments will be on sale.

The nominating committee has the slate of officers for next year completed, and will report.

The P. T. A. is carried on for the benefit of our children and it is the duty of every parent to take an active interest in the organization. Will you be there next Monday night?

MISS CLARA SILVER

Word was received Monday night of the death of Miss Clara Mary Silver at Westfield, N. J., after a short illness. She was born in Rumford Sept. 24, 1922, the daughter of Albert and Annette Silver. She graduated from Gould Academy in the class of 1938 and for the past two years has been employed at Westfield, N. J.

She is survived by her parents and one sister, Marion, all of Bethel.

Funeral services were held from the Greenleaf funeral home Thursday afternoon.

MRS. JOE L. SPINNEY

Mrs. Joe L. Spinney passed away at the home of J. A. Spinney, South Bethel, Saturday, May 1.

Mrs. Spinney was born in New Brunswick Aug. 22, 1876, the daughter of William and Thomaston Peacock. She came to Haverhill, Mass., as a young girl and lived there until she married Joe Spinney of Newry in September, 1922.

She had suffered with arthritis for the past 16 years. Because of Mr. Spinney's failing health, they broke up their home on Sunday River and Mrs. Spinney lived for a time at James Reynolds, Sunday River, and then with the James Spinneys at South Bethel, where she made her home until her passing. She was a great sufferer and failed rapidly at the last.

Besides her husband, she leaves two brothers, Belford Peacock of Haverhill, Mass., and Rev. John C. Peacock of New Brunswick, and a sister, Miss Phoebe Peacock of Haverhill, Mass.

A WEEK OF THE WAR

Allied forces in Tunisia have taken most of the important hills protecting the way into the coastal plain around Tunis in a full-scale offensive that has brought the British Eighth Army has advanced from the south against stiff resistance, as the Americans have come within 25 miles of Bizerte. Thousands of land mines planted by the retreating Germans were cleared by United States forces as they captured Sidi Nsir.

The battle line which stretched from Djebel Dardys on the north, where the Americans took three hills, to Djebel Mdeker in the south was rapidly contracting as the Axis armies retreated under the heavy infantry and tank attacks of American, British and French troops. Although there are no signs of collapse, the enemy has been forced to make withdrawals from his most heavily fortified positions, and the Allies have kept up destructive air raids on troop concentrations and ammunition dumps behind the enemy's lines. In a spectacular battle, allied aircraft intercepted a convoy of 20 huge Mersburg-323 transports each capable of carrying 120 men and shot down all of them.

General Eisenhower's headquarters reported that Axis losses in Tunisia from January 1 to April 15 included: 66,000 killed, wounded or captured; 250 tanks, 3,000 vehicles, and 425 guns destroyed or captured; 1,754 planes destroyed, 278 probably destroyed, and 586 damaged—a total of 2,612 put out of action. Losses at sea were also great. It was reported that a single United Nations submarine flotilla had sunk 85 Axis ships in the Mediterranean since November 8.

IN THE PACIFIC

Canadian airmen joined Americans in raids on Kiska, strong outpost of the Japanese, which was bombed a total of 142 times in April. The largest of the Ellise Islands, Funafuti, has been occupied by United States forces. It is about 450 miles south of the Gilbert group where the Japanese have heavy fortifications. Date of the occupation was not revealed, although it was announced that the marines had taken the island without resistance.

Chungking declared that the Japanese have used poison gas against Chinese troops in one sector, and that the Japanese had advanced as far as Yukiakwen in southwestern Shansi.

OTHER DEVELOPMENTS

The Polish cabinet, meeting in London, drafted a reply to Russia which was couched in moderate language and left the way clear for the British and Americans to attempt to restore normal relations between the Soviets and the Polish government in exile. Russia severed diplomatic relations with Premier Sikorski's government over a German propaganda story that the Reds had executed 10,000 Polish officers.

Saboteurs are active in Europe. Norwegian patriots blew up four ships and a lighthouse in Oslo Harbor. It was reported that an attempt had been made on the life of the Nazi Governor of Warsaw and that there had been a wave of attacks on Nazi soldiers in Greece.

CAPT. EDWIN F. COBURN

Captain Edwin F. Coburn of Andover died suddenly last Thursday morning at a hospital in Holyoke, Mass. With Mrs. Coburn he was visiting for a few days there on their way home from Florida.

He established the Lakewood Camps at Middleham 50 years ago which have been popular with sportsmen throughout the country, and which he and Mrs. Coburn were to open for the season soon after their return home.

He was born in Riley 75 years ago, and spent his boyhood in Bethel. He is survived by his wife, the former Alice Perry.

Funeral services were held from the Greenleaf funeral home Sunday afternoon, May 2, conducted by Rev. Linwood C. Potter of Andover.

FORMER HANOVER BOY AWARDED SILVER STAR

According to news released from the War Department, Corporal Lester McPherson, a former resident of this town was among soldiers awarded the Silver Star for gallantry in action in the North African front. Corp. McPherson chopped down trees and brush in front of his artillery piece to prepare a clear field for fire. His action inspired his fellow soldiers to repel the enemy.

BERLIN HIGH SCHOOL NINE TO PLAY HERE SATURDAY

Gould Academy will play host to the Berlin, N. H., High team on Saturday. The game is scheduled to start promptly at 2:30. The local nine has not met a Berlin team for some nine or ten years. The visitors are a Class "A" school and probably will give the Academy aggregation plenty to handle.

Coach Myers' pastimers however have a fine battery in Rosenberg and Wright and perhaps the Gould team will look O. K. against their New Hampshire rivals. As yet the team has had no actual experience upon which to base any predictions, but the players are "working out" regularly and show plenty of pep and ambition.

ENGAGEMENT

Mrs. Edna C. Smith is announcing the engagement and forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Josephine Barbara, to Cecil Elmer Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Parker of North Livermore. The wedding is to take place within a few weeks.

Miss Smith graduated from Gould Academy in the class of 1939. Mr. Parker graduated from Leavitt Institute, Turner Center, in the class of 1940. He is now employed by Richard Davis.



Pfc. Fred Harramon, who is stationed with the armed forces in Florida has been spending a few days at the home of Alva Hendrickson and family at South Woodstock.

Pfc. Malcom Packard arrived Monday night from Tennessee to spend a 14 day furlough with his sister, Mrs. H. Stanley Andrews.

Clarence Morgan, the third son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Morgan to enter the service, enlisted in the Navy and left to begin his basic training at Newport, R. I., April 28. His address is Clarence Morgan, A. S., Co. 175, USNS, Newport, R. I.

Pvt. Wallace Morgan of Fort training and received his wings. Benning, Ga., completed his basic. He has been spending a 10 day furlough with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerry Morgan. His address now will be Pvt. Wallace E. Morgan, 11-122-377, 501st Para. Inf., Co. D, Camp Mackall, N. C.

Word has been received by Mrs. Guy Bartlett of East Bethel that her son, Raymond Bartlett, who is stationed at Williamsburg, Va., has been promoted from Second Class Seaman to Third Class Petty Officer.

Pvts. Freddie Clark and Harold Rolfe are located at Fort Bragg, N. C.

Pvt. Robert King and Pvt. Charles Lowe are at Miami Beach, Fla.

Phillip S. Chapman Jr. has recently received two promotions, to Petty Officer 3d Class and Chief Aviation Mechanic Mate. He has been located at Jacksonville, Fla.

Rodney Eames entered the Army last Thursday and is at Fort Devens at present.

Seaman Second Class Homer Smith Jr. is attending Sound School at Fisher Island, N. Y.

Warren M. Powers has been transferred from Fort Devens to Miami Beach, Fla.

Pfc. Rexford A. Powers of Newry was a member of the class recently graduated from the Armored Force School of Automotive Mechanics at Fort Knox, Ky.

GOULD'S SCIENCE FAIR A SUCCESS SATURDAY

The Gould Academy Science Club's first Science Fair and Congress was held at Gould Academy Saturday, May 1, and proved very successful. It consisted of exhibits by students of high schools from this section of Maine, and talks and demonstrations upon matters of scientific interest. The full program follows:

Physical Sciences
"Mineralogy"—Buckfield High School—A talk on a collection by Robert A. Roy
"Making Relief Maps"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk and demonstration by Jacqueline Autor
"Biography of Mother Earth"—Norway High School—A talk and demonstration by Martha E. Roberts

Chemistry
"Chemical Analysis by Color"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk and demonstration by Lincoln Colby
"Cosmetics"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk and demonstration by Helen Fogg and Alice Bennett

Biological Sciences
"Evolution of the Heart"—Buckfield High School—A talk and demonstration by Betty Wakulish and Virginia Stevens
"Incubation"—Gould Academy Biology Class—A talk and demonstration by Lillian Coburn, Richard Bryant, and Donald Morrill

Chemistry
"Soil Analysis"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk and demonstration by Herbertina Norton
"Plastics"—Gould Academy—A talk and demonstration by Priscilla Carver

Physical Sciences
"The Construction and Operation of a Wind Tunnel"—Oxford High School—A talk and demonstration by Richard Henderson assisted by Marion Culbert, Dorothy Wheeler, Thomas Perkins, Harold Edwards, Robert Bickford
"A Talk on Meteorology"—Gould Academy Science Club—Constance Sawyer

Biological Sciences
"Nutrition"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk with illustration by Louisa Bacon
"The Staining of the Skeletons of Small Mammals"—Gould Academy Science Club—A talk with illustrations and example by Barbara Poole and Harriet Holmes
The following were the judges of these preliminary talks: Vincent McKusick, Arnold Stevens, Mr. Wright from Bates College, and Eleanor Smart and William Whittemore from Colby College.

These judges chose six students to present their talk and demonstration at the evening session before three other judges who were: Dr. William Sawyer Jr. from Bates College Faculty, Dr. Henry W. Appleton from Colby College Faculty, Supt. Linden Christie from Cornish.

Results of Contests
Exhibits
1st Prize—Thurl Allen, Brunswick High School Carved Models of Biological Specimens
2nd Prize—Constance Sawyer, Gould Academy Remote Control Thermometer
3rd Prize—James Reid and Francis Gilman, Gould Academy Model of a Plant for Manufacture of Magnesium from Sea Water
4th Prize—Gilbert LeClair, Gould Academy Model of Oil Wells and Pipe Lines

Talks and Demonstrations
1st and 2nd Awards—One tuition scholarship to Bates College and one to Colby College, offered by the respective colleges, when and if the winners choose to apply and meet the full entrance requirements of the respective colleges.
1st and 2nd Awards—Herbertina Norton, Gould Academy "Soil Analysis"—Robert Roy, Buckfield High School "Minerals"

3rd Award—1st Alternate Science Kit, Lincoln Colby, Gould Academy "Chemical Analysis by Color"
4th Award—Science Kit, Louisa

C. OF C. "FATHERS AND SONS" TOLD OF PLANE RECOGNITION

Rev. Herbert T. Wallace gave a very interesting and convincing talk on the recognition of airplanes and the real need of such knowledge in the conduct of the Aircraft Warning Service at the Father and Son meeting of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce Tuesday evening. As an Aircraft Recognition Officer Mr. Wallace has taken the Army course in this subject and is now conducting three classes of the observers and younger folks who will assist in the work later.

He stressed the fact that regardless of private opinion the Army considers this training very vital to the warning system, believing that if only as a final gesture it is possible for the Axis to threaten and do much damage here with their aircraft. The plan of operation in this country is patterned after that in Britain which has developed to a highly efficient system.

Mr. Wallace's message was so presented as to hold the interest of both the members and guests. The meeting was preceded by an excellent supper at 6:30, served by Herbert I. Bean and Fred E. Merrill.

Guests were John Greenleaf, John Brown, Stuart Blake, Addison Saunders Jr., Parker Daye, Alfred Brown, John Brown Donald Lord, Donald Brooks, Robert H. Blake, Herman Robertson, Lee Carver, Eugene Van Den Kerckhof Jr.

TIRES FOR FARM EQUIPMENT

Tire dealers or persons selling or servicing farm equipment are now entitled to keep on hand a maximum of six rear-wheel tractor tires. Dealers who have the replenishment portions (Part B) of rationing certificates calling for truck tires may restock with tires suitable for farm equipment instead.

WAR RATION BOOK NO. 3

War Ration Book No. 3 will be distributed through the mails to more than 120,000,000 individuals beginning late in June and ending July 21, the OPA has announced. Mailmen will leave postcard application forms at every home between May 20 and June 5. The postcard, properly filled out by the head of the household and mailed to OPA, will bring ration book No. 3. Prentiss M. Brown, price administrator, emphasized that Book No. 3 is a replacement book only, containing a new supply of stamps to take the place of those now being used up. He said that if any more rationing programs were necessary there would be official notice by the government.

STILL MAKING BOBBY PINS

Rumors of a ban on manufacture of bobby pins are false, WPB officials have declared. Even though the pins are made of vital high carbon steel their production will be permitted.

RATION-FREE RUBBER BOOTS

Over-the-knee olive drab, clay and khaki colored rubber boots—the kind worn for hunting and fishing—can now be bought ration free, the OPA has announced. Below the knee height boots are still under rationing control.

Baton, Gould Academy "Nutrition"

5th Award, Carnegie Science Bulletins, Jacqueline Autor, Gould Academy "Making Relief Maps"
6th Award, Carnegie Science Bulletins, Lillian Coburn, Richard Bryant, and Donald Morrill, Gould Academy "Incubation"
A talk, "Science and the School After the War," by Clair Wood, Principal of Waterville High School, was very instructive and much appreciated.
Music was furnished by the Gould Academy orchestra.

NOTICE

Last Call for Payment of Dog Taxes.
Per Order of Town Clerk

WEEKLY NEWS ANALYSIS

A Non-Partisan Editorial Review of the Events of Each Week, Illustrated

EDITOR'S NOTE—When opinions are expressed in these columns, they are those of Western Newspaper Union news analysts, and not necessarily of this newspaper.

VENGEANCE:

For Jap Executions

Stern punishment for the Jap military leaders responsible for the execution of American fliers captured after last year's raid on Tokyo was promised by President Roosevelt, who said the United States would "hold personally and officially responsible" all those who participated in these crimes and bring them to justice.

How many of the eight fliers listed by the war department as prisoners of war after the raid were executed, was not stated.

That the Japs' barbarity was a confession of their vulnerability to air attack was clear. This was underscored by Tokyo broadcasts threatening to execute American fliers captured on future raids over Japan.

The reply to such threats was given by Maj. Gen. Henry H. Arnold, commander of the air forces, who told his fliers:

"Let your answer to their treatment of your comrades be the destruction of the Japanese air force, their lines of communication, and the production centers which offer them the opportunity to continue such atrocities."

To this Maj. Gen. James H. Doolittle, who led the Tokyo raid a year ago added: "Soon our bombers will be there again, striking at the heart of Japan until the empire crumbles and they beg for mercy."

TUNISIA:

Nazis Counter-Attack

Fighting stubbornly to delay the inevitable day of reckoning, Axis troops sought desperately to prevent the Allied armies from further narrowing their last hold in Tunisia.

On both the north and south fronts, German counter-attacks were followed by successful Allied thrusts that wrested mountainous terrain from the enemy and forced the Axis armies nearer to their last-stand positions.

In the north, the British First army pushed southeast after repelling major enemy assaults in the Medjer-el-Bab sector, destroying more than one-third of the Nazi tanks opposing them.

In the north, General Montgomery's British Eighth army made important gains in the strategic hill country north and west of Enfidaville which brought it closer to Tunis.

Meanwhile, bombers of the Allied tactical air force kept up constant attacks against the few remaining Axis-held airfields.

PACIFIC:

U. S. Fliers Busy

From the Aleutians to New Guinea, American fliers continued their assaults on Jap airfields, shipping and ground installations.

Liberators, Mitchells, Lightnings and Warhawks made 15 raids on the enemy at Kiska, carrying the total of forays on this menacing Jap installation to more than 100 in the course of a single month.

In the Solomons, Yankee fliers battered Jap positions in four air raids, attacking Tonal harbor and Kieta and smashing at Kahili and Munda.

From Australia, Allied aircraft made 10 forays in a single day, destroying enemy planes and strafing Jap base installations and occupied villages. Rabaul and Ubihi, New Britain, the Saldor area of New Guinea and Laga on Timor Island were the principal targets. In addition American planes participated in two raids on enemy fuel dumps and float-plane anchorages in Dutch New Guinea.



American arms, ammunition and equipment were a potent factor in stepping up the fighting strength of French armies aiding the Allied cause in the Tunisian campaign. Above, Gen. Henri Giraud (center), French high commissioner of North Africa, is seen inspecting U. S. war equipment sent for French army use.

RUBBER:

Showdown on Oil Use

Rubber continued to be a controversial subject as William M. Jeffers, rubber director, came to grips with Robert P. Patterson, under-secretary of war, and Harold L. Ickes, petroleum administrator, in a dispute over the use of gasoline in the synthetic production program.

Patterson, supported by Ickes, charged in a statement that Jeffers was weakening American air strength against the Axis by reducing combat supplies of high octane gas for the benefit of the civilian synthetic rubber manufacturing schedule.

Still at odds with Elmer Davis, OWI director, over publicity releases on the rubber program, Jeffers briskly took on his two new opponents declaring that their charges called for investigation to bring out the true facts to the public.

RUSSIA:

Caucasus Front Active

Continuing to employ "strive at any cost" tactics, German armies in the Caucasus kept up full-scale attacks against the Russians in the Kuban delta despite heavy losses and lack of success in the early stages.

Two objectives were included in the Nazi plans, military observers believed. One was to relieve Soviet pressure on the enemy's bridgehead at Novorossisk. The other was to build up the momentum of a drive that might be the prelude to a new Axis spring offensive.

As the fighting increased in intensity, the activity of the opposing air forces was stepped up. German communiques reported that the Luftwaffe was strafing Red supply bases on the Black sea coast. Soviet communiques revealed that while Red fliers had broken up one enemy effort to ferry reinforcements across the Black sea to Novorossisk, the Germans had succeeded later in providing substantial reinforcements for their army in the Caucasus bridgehead.

POSTWAR FINANCE:

Congress Holds Reins

Voting to extend for two years the President's authority over the \$2,000,000,000 currency stabilization fund, the house adopted an amendment designed to prevent the use of this money in the \$5,000,000,000 international banking fund proposed by Treasury Secretary Morgenthau for a postwar world bank.

The senate had previously withdrawn the President's power to devalue the dollar while approving continuance of his power of the stabilization fund.

In effect, the house amendment introduced by Representative Reed of Illinois gave congress control over the \$2,000,000,000 stabilization fund and the proposed postwar banking fund. House leaders indicated that congress would provide funds for the latter, in the event it was set up.

U-BOAT DAMAGE:

More Ships the Remedy

Calling submarine losses of United Nations' shipping "heavy but not disastrous," the Truman senate committee revealed that approximately 1,000,000 tons a month were sunk last year—or more than the total tonnage built by the United States and Britain combined in 1942.

Adding that losses were reduced in the latter months of the year, the report declared: "The submarine menace can and will be effectively met."

Most effective answer to the U-boat threat will be increases in new construction of merchant ships and escort vessels this year, the committee said. The report estimated that between 18 and 10 million deadweight tons will be built in 1943, compared with 8,000,000 tons last year.

Increased speed for newly constructed ships was promised through the building of new Victory models and the redesigning of Liberty ships to permit speeds of 15 to 17 knots compared with 11 knots for the present design.

DRAFT:

Payrollers on Call

Probability that many of the 840,000 draft-eligible men on government payrolls would be inducted into the armed forces was seen in the selective service's ruling that federal workers could not be deferred for occupational reasons except through examination of individual cases by a special presidential committee.

Up to the present, thousands of government workers had been given deferred classification as essential.

Selective service announced that effective May 15, the 6,500 local boards must submit monthly to Major General Hershey, for transmission to congress, the names and numbers of federal employees classified as 2-A or 2-B, the classes of deferment for occupational reasons.

WAR NEWS:

Davis Declains

Brisk denial that the Office of War Information serves any political faction in its broadcasts beamed at foreign countries was made by Hoosier-born Elmer Davis, OWI director, who said his agency had

one chief objective—"to get out as much news as we can as soon as we can."

In an appearance before the senate judiciary committee, Mr. Davis likewise denied that his office tries to exercise censorship powers. As for the domestic political situation, he said the OWI had not put out any information abroad on the possibility of a fourth term for President Roosevelt.

VACATIONS:

Public Must Co-operate

Summer vacations by train for Americans remained a probability in spite of a ruling by the Office of Defense Transportation that no additional summer train service requiring the use of Pullman sleeping car equipment would be authorized. Rail officials expressed the belief that regular services would be sufficient to accommodate vacationists if the public is willing to accept inconveniences and co-operate by spreading travel throughout the week.

Only exception to the curtailment policy, the ODT stated, will be "coach trains operated in the period between Saturday noon and Sunday midnight utilizing primarily commuter equipment otherwise idle in that period and additional trains of semi-commuter type operated on other days of the week within a radius of approximately 50 miles of a terminus."

All other requests for extra coach or parlor-car train service for daily, tri-weekly or week-end summer operations will be denied, the ODT indicated.

WAR BUILDING

Peak Is Passed

With the completion of the major part of the building construction necessary for full-scale armament production, a shift of men and materials from construction to other fields is now under way, the department of commerce reported.

The department estimated a decline of 32 per cent in new construction in the first quarter of 1943 compared with the last quarter of 1942. New construction amounted to \$2,200,000 in the first three months of this year.

Total nonfarm residential building continued the downward trend evident throughout most of 1942, despite some increase in publicly financed structures. Private residential building amounted to only \$138,000,000 in the first quarter of 1943, a decrease of 42 per cent from the preceding three months and 70 per cent less than in the corresponding period of 1942.

AIR TRANSPORT

Chicago to Singapore

How air passenger and cargo transport service will be expanded after the war was indicated by the application of the Chicago and Southern Air Lines for a charter to operate post-war trans-Alaskan service from Chicago to Singapore and Batavia.

The company had previously filed application to operate from the West Indies to New Orleans. The new service to Singapore and Batavia would thus establish the shortest route to the East Indies and the West Indies.

The new route would be 1,543 miles shorter than present air service from Chicago to Singapore-Batavia, via San Francisco. Moreover, no over-water hop would be longer than 480 miles.

POISON GAS:

British Ready

Prime Minister Churchill had warned the Nazis several times previously that the use of poison gas on any front would result in immediate retaliation by the British. Now he cautioned the enemy again, add-



WINSTON CHURCHILL

ing that he had received reports that "Hitler is making preparations for using poison gas against the Russian front."

Munitions centers, seaports and other military objectives throughout the whole expanse of Germany, he said, would be the target of British gas attacks should the Nazis use this weapon against the Russians.

Increasing Allied mastery of the air plus the fact that Britain had stepped up its chemical warfare preparations in the last year lent an ominous note to the British statesman's warning.

HIGHLIGHTS . . . in the week's news

RUBBER: In addition to vast amounts of regular crops, Siberia will produce huge quantities of material for synthetic rubber this year, a Moscow report disclosed.

REFUGEES: Spokesmen for the British-American conference in Hamilton, Bermuda, on the European refugee problem said that any large-scale rescue of Nazi-oppressed people seemed out of the question.

EXCHANGED PRISONER: First American soldier freed from an Axis war prisoner camp is Alan Stuyvesant of New York, who was released from a camp near Rome after 10 months' imprisonment.

SECRECY: Former President Herbert Hoover in a public statement said "there can be no real justification for secrecy" at the Allied nations' food conference scheduled to open May 18 at Hot Springs, Va., adding that "no secrets exist concerning the food situation in any country in the world."

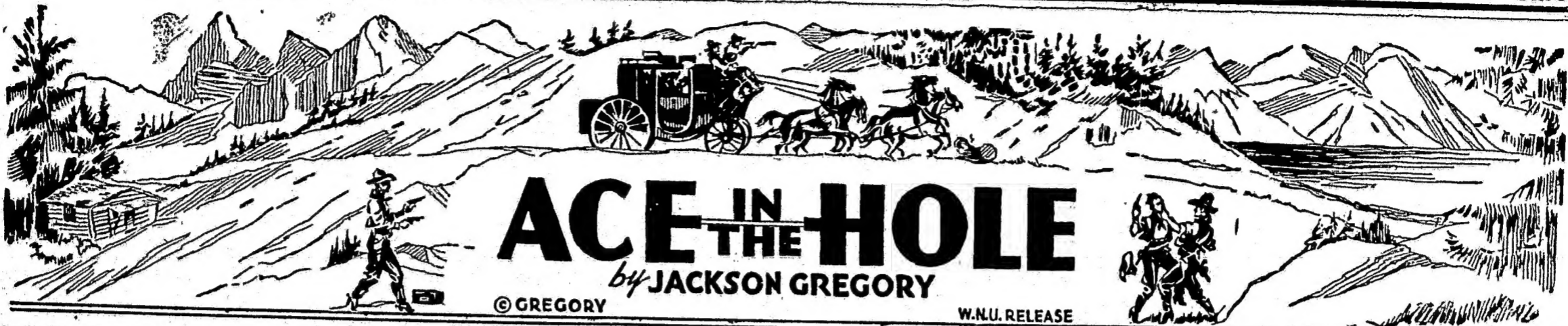
SAILORS: More than 6,000 German naval personnel, mostly officers, arrived in Italian ports for assignments aboard Italian warships, according to reports received in London.

FEDERATION: Ezequiel Padilla, Mexican foreign secretary in a book published in New York wrote that a federation of American nations "is a pressing and imperative duty."

SURPRISE: Vice Adm. Jonas H. Ingram, commander of the United States Atlantic fleet, predicted "disagreeable surprises" for the enemy off the Brazilian coast soon, but did not amplify his statement.

"CAN OPENERS": Specially equipped 2-D Hurricane fighter planes, known as "can openers" and armed with two 40-mm. guns firing shells weighing 2½ pounds each are being used as tank busters by the RAF in North Africa, the British air ministry announced. The tank busters have proved very effective.

Released by Western Newspaper Union.



THE STORY SO FAR: Ann Lee and Cole Cody, beneficiaries under two identical wills of Old Bill Cole, were attempting to discover who fired the bullet which caused his death. Suspicion centered around Rance Waldron, who, posing as Old Bill's nephew, had taken up residence at the ranch. Trained by Cody one night to a deserted cabin, Rance was discovered arguing with the notorious Tom Gough over the many "jobs" they had pulled. Later that night Rance left the ranch, apparently to join Gough at the deserted cabin. Cody delivered his copy of Old Bill's will to the Judge for safe keeping, and Ann gave her copy of the other identical will to Doc Joe.

Now continue with the story.

CHAPTER XV

Young as the summer was, it was a lazily languid day by now, and both the Judge and Doc Joe were inclined to a sort of dreamful ease, the horses had expended their first, early morning zest, and the homeward journey lacked the speed and dash marking its first phase, from Bald Eagle to the King Cole Ranch. Now the sun was higher and warmer, now the two old cronies were drowsy and pleasantly sentimental, their eyes heavy-lidded from last night's indulgence—and in a spot where the narrow road wound down into a cool and shady ravine both men were rudely startled when a man on horseback cut unexpectedly into the road in front of them and issued his orders. The man wore a mask improvised from a bandana handkerchief, and his voice was a strange muffled voice—he might have had pebbles in his mouth—and his few, briskly spoken words were to the effect that the Judge and Doc Joe were to stop where they were and not reach for any guns provided they carried such articles—as, naturally, both did.

"Who do you think you are," the old Judge snorted, "telling us where to head in?"

"I want everything in your pockets," he said, "and I want it quick. If you make a fuss about it I'll kill the two of you inside ten seconds."

They reached for their purses and tossed them into the dry, dusty grass alongside the road.

"There you are, Stranger," grumbled Doc Joe. "Take it."

"I said I wanted everything in your pockets," he was reminded in a voice which rang long in his memory. "Everything you've got."

"That's all we got," roared the Judge, his hand itching to reach for the old Colt he hadn't gone without for many and many a year, but never stirring an inch toward it because he knew better.

The Judge looked at Doc Joe. There was nothing on earth they could do about it. This free-riding gent had simply beat them to the draw. To argue the matter would be exactly like trying to win a jack pot on a pair of deuces against a straight flush. They emptied their pockets.

"Get a move on, you fools! Turn your pockets out."

They strove to fumble and to hide the papers they had carried, that given Doc Joe by Ann Lee, that entrusted to the Judge by Bill Cole Cody. But the steady eyes bent upon them were too watchful.

"Everything, I tell you! Empty your pockets to your nose's gag and tobacco. Everything you've got. Pitch it out and drive on—and get a move on doing it!"

Doc Joe had a pet corn, and he was apt to slaughter a man who trod on it. And certainly none knew about this corn better than did the Judge.

And now the Judge trod heavily and deliberately on Doc Joe's corn. And Doc Joe, already stung almost beyond endurance, caught the signal and was glad to have the Judge with him, and like one man the two of them went for their guns.

Well along in years they might be, but they were not the type of man whose coat tail you tread on with impunity any more than you go poking a stick at an old rattlesnake.

Actuated by the same instinctive impulse, alike not caring for their present position on the buggy seat, as they snatched at their side arms they threw themselves clear, over the wheels into the road, landing anyhow, sprawling. Doc Joe sat up and began firing at the masked rider; the Judge rested on his knees and loosed his own screaming bullets.

Their horses, left to their own device, startled by the crash of gunfire, bolted, headed straight toward the man at whose command they had been halted. He, too, was firing, rapidly yet not so rapidly as to bespeak any nerve-storm; wasting no time, yet spacing his shots coolly.

His horse started to lunge, as the frightened team almost ran him down; his bandana slipped; both Judge and Doc Joe saw who it was.

"Rance Waldron!" roared the old Judge and, his shooting skill not being quite what it had been once upon a time a long time ago, shot Waldron's horse through the throat. The beast reared and screamed and fell, pawing the air with flailing hoofs; Rance Waldron leaped clear.

A sharp cry of warning burst from Doc Joe.

"Judge! Look out! There's another of them hid in the bushes—like when they held the stage up the other day!"

The runaway team went thundering down the road. Taking advantage of a moment of confusion, the Judge strove to scramble behind a big pine. Rance, on foot now was firing again, and bullets came whizzing from the man whom Doc Joe had glimpsed joining Rance's attack from a point of some small shelter.

The Judge got a good clear view of him and, steadying his hand and taking time for it, drove two bullets into Tom Gough's body.

The Judge had but half a dozen paces to go, to come to his big pine, but never made the short distance. Rance shot him through the upper body, and the old fellow sprawled on his face and for a moment lay there, clawing at the dust.

Doc Joe couldn't spare time off to look at him; he could only yell, "Get up, Judge! You're all right, you old fool." But he couldn't help but see how little puffs of dust arose from under the claws which his old crony's hands had become, and how the lean tall figure writhed, seeking to roll over, to get back into the fight, his strength failing him.

"We got one down!" panted Doc Joe. "We'll get that Rance varmint in a minute."

But somehow his eyes weren't as clear as they used to be; he had to blink them once. And there was a tremor in his hand, no matter how steady and firm his will. Rance, unafraid it would appear, and contemptuous, laughed at him and fired and sang out all together,

"That for you, you meddling old fool!"

Old Doc Joe spat back at him with verbal vitriol and hot lead—glad to be fighting—even though he knew the Judge had not as yet risen. Doc Joe himself surged up

to his feet at last, but only in time to drop again, his weapon falling from his suddenly limp grasp, and when he fell, lying crookedly on his side facing the Judge yet failing to see him or anything else on earth, the reason for his fall was written in a bright red dripping smear upon his temple.

Rance Waldron stood stone still where he was, save for the swift, sure movement of his fingers reloading; his eyes were hard and bright and suspicious, bent shrewdly upon the two old men lying one in the dusty road, the other at its side. He saw that there was never a twitch in Doc Joe's body; he marked how feebly the Judge struggled, still face down, still unable to turn over. Then for an instant only his hard bright eyes flicked toward the brush down into which Tom Gough had spilled.

"Tom!" he called. "Tom! Are you all right? Or are you done for?"



The beast reared, screamed and fell pawing the air.

Playing possum, to keep out of the fight, or dying? Speak up, man!"

"I'm all shot up, Rance. Help me, quick; I'll bleed to death."

"You're always getting yourself all shot up; you're always bleeding to death," grumbled Rance. "What are you good for? Bleed and be darned to you."

He stepped along then, not toward the Judge but toward the two old men in the road, a fully loaded gun in each of his hands. He came first to Doc Joe, stopped and stood looking down at him, then moved on, muttering, "Drader'n a door nail, and a good job, too."

The Judge, as a final spasm of strength swept along on a final spasm of pain, sat up; he even groped for his fallen gun and found it. All the strength he could summon was needed to lift the heavy Colt 45. But there was living murder in his eyes and, though he did not speak, he cursed Rance Waldron.

Deliberately, not hastening, Rance Waldron shot him square between the eyes . . .

He turned then, still deliberate, and broke his way through the brush to where Tom Gough lay with his shoulders wedged against a rock, his hands pressed against his chest and side. There was a terrible look in Tom Gough's eyes, a look of fear and of dumb agony and of wild pleading, a hopeless pleading for there was no spark of hope in those dulling eyes.

"So you're done for, are you, Tom?" said Waldron. He didn't exactly taunt, didn't exactly smile, but there was the stamp of infinite cruelty, callous and unfeeling, in his look. He said quietly, no emotion whatever tingling his tone, "Here, I'll lend you a hand."

Heavy man though Tom Gough was, Rance Waldron lifted him easily and bore him the short distance to the roadside. There he put him down, not more than a score of paces from where the still bodies of the Judge and Doc Joe lay.

"Those two are dead, Tom," said

of which Bald Eagle sunned itself, he saw the runaway team. He recognized the horses with a sweeping glance: Doc Joe and the Judge had had a runaway. But where were they?

Then, a couple of miles farther on, he came upon the three bodies asprawl in the road or at its edge.

"Holy Mother of God!" gasped Gaucho, and turned sick, horror struck. "Three men dead! And the old Judge and Doc Joe two of them!"

When his wits returned to him he thought straight to the point: It was less than half a dozen miles back to Bald Eagle, more than twice that distance to the ranch. So he rode back toward Bald Eagle like a dark streak through the afternoon sunshine.

And it was the same Gaucho who later brought the heavy tidings to the King Cole Ranch.

Aunt Jenifer and Ann Lee were in the parlor, and when Gaucho burst upon them they stared back at him, speechless. At first, so great was the shock, that they felt nothing; they couldn't make his running words make sense, there was no reality in what he was voicing so wildly. The Judge and Doc Joe, dead? Dead! When so little a while ago—

And they didn't say a word, didn't ask a question, didn't even look at each other until Gaucho sped away to find Carl Roundtree and the other boys and tell all that had happened. For one thing, there was nothing to ask, so complete if hurried had been the boy's details. And there was nothing to say.

Slowly their impassive faces changed and their eyes met. The dazed look had gone and in its place came horror, then grief splashed with sudden tears. Those two fine gallant old men, dead!

Ann Lee wept softly then, her face hidden in her hands, her body rocking, convulsed. Aunt Jenifer dashed the tears from her eyes and sat very straight, her head up, her eyes steady now with almost the glint of steel in them, bent upon far away distances. Presently she spoke very gently, but she did not stir from where she sat on the old green bench.

"They were two fine men, Ann darling; they were old; they had to go sometime; like Early Bill they had had their fun." Her lips thinned to bleak silence; then she added crisply, "And they killed the murderer who shot them down! That's something."

Ann was hushed, but not for long. Hope that will not down without a death struggle sprang up in her breast.

"Maybe they are not really dead!" she exclaimed excitedly. "A man can be shot, he can be badly hurt, unconscious even, and yet live!"

And she started running to the men's quarters.

She came upon a small knot of men, Cole Cody and Carl Roundtree and Porfirio and two others, grouped in a sort of circle, their heads down, their boot toes for the most part scraping in the dirt, as they listened to Gaucho's words. She screamed at them before she reached them to hurry for a doctor, to do what they could to save two lives which otherwise might be lost even while they stood here doing nothing.

Cal turned on his heel.

"I'm off to town, boys. I'll take care of things if anything's needed. Come along, Cody?"

Cody shook his head.

"Later maybe, Cal; in the buckboard, if I do come, so you better not wait."

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WEEKLY SERIAL INSTALLMENT

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Carl L. Brown, Publisher

THURSDAY, MAY 6, 1943

BETHEL'S CIVILIAN DEFENSE COULD BE BETTER

While there is little complaint of the performance of Bethel's Civilian Defense personnel during practice "blackouts" and air raid tests, such as were enacted Sunday evening, there is a rather definite belief that improvement is much to be desired. This is not written in criticism of any large proportion of the volunteers in the several branches, but rather to point out an attitude altogether too common at present. It must be admitted that this attitude is a characteristic of human nature which we are not likely to change.

Evidently the fact is that after a year of war-time organization in town some of those who so enthusiastically volunteered in the simple plan of Civilian Defense do not yet believe that "it can happen here." In the patriotic fever which attended the formation of our local system last year, many "signed up" because it was the popular thing to do at the moment. It was ever thus, and will so continue. However, it need not be so, even though it is noticeable in nearly every branch of the work.

We do not believe that the lowly volunteer is entirely at fault. We do believe that those in charge should at once bring their groups together and note the changes of the first year. They will find several chances for improvement and their assistants will have an opportunity to review the requirements of their assigned duties.

BETHEL SCHOOL SAVINGS				
Grade	Sav.	Bank	Total	Percent
I	\$0.00	\$0.55	72	
II	1.00	2.05	47	
III		1.90	61	
IV	1.00	3.25	72	
V	\$8.00	\$13.75		
VI	\$1.00	\$1.80	34	
VII	1.00	1.60	35	
VIII	2.00	1.55	54	
	4.00	2.25	57	

Grade I and II (older and VIII) have banners.

GILEAD

(deferred)
Irving Loughton and Leo White of Portland spent Easter at the home here.

Mrs. Alice Taylor and children and Mrs. Florence Holder were recent visitors in Berlin, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Cole were guests at the home of his sister, Mrs. Oliver Garry, at Poland Sunday.

Misses Elizabeth and Sophia Lester spent Easter with relatives in Berlin, N. H.

Jackson Bennett was a visitor in Rumford Friday.

MRS. ANNIE C. BEAN
Mrs. Annie C. Bean died Wednesday morning, April 21, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mabel Kirk, where she had been for four weeks. She has been ill since November.

She was born July 21, 1879 in Mechanic Falls, the daughter of Daniel M. and Flora Buck Hill. She has lived in Portland the past 25 years. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Mabel Kirk, Bethel, one son, Wesley V. Bean, Hanover, one brother, William Collings, Mechanic Falls, one sister, Mrs. Leona Jackson, Swampscott, Mass.; nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

Services were held at the Greenleaf funeral home Saturday afternoon, April 24. Burial was at Bethel.

Metal in four all wire coat hangers would make five feet of four point barbed wire.

BETHEL

Everett Merrill is ill with sciatic rheumatism.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Crockett were in Portland Tuesday.

O. A. Pratt is spending part of his vacation in Montreal.

Mrs. Addie Mason has been quite ill with flu the past two weeks.

Mrs. Paul Thurston recently visited relatives in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Eva Bean returned today after spending several weeks in New York.

Mrs. Patrick O'Brien and son William are spending the week in Lowell, Mass.

Miss Marguerite Hall returned home Sunday from a two months' trip to Texas and Colorado.

Mrs. Norman Hall was the week end guest of her daughter, Miss Barbara Hall, at Portland.

Mrs. J. B. Chapman visited her sons, Harold and Rodney Eames, in Hartford, Conn., last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Fuller of Bath were in town a few days last week, guests of relatives and friends.

Mrs. Paul Browne and son Billy of Springfield, Mass., are spending the week with relatives in town.

Mrs. George Taylor and son of Waterford, Conn., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Sanborn.

Mrs. Mina Harriman has returned to her home on Summer Street after spending the winter with Mrs. Clifford Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. Clair E. Wood and Mrs. Josephine Keny of Waterville were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Fortier.

Mr. and Mrs. Adney Gurney and daughter were week end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gurney, Durham.

Charles Cross is at home for a vacation from his work at Lincoln.

Perley Flint has returned from a business trip to Boston.

Mrs. Norman Greig and children, Jack and Jane, of Arlington, Mass., are guests this week of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnel Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Norway are spending a few days with his brother, Edwin Smith, and her sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Thurston.

Dr. Anson Kendall of Walpole, N. H., was in town Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mrs. Joe Spinney. Mr. Spinney returned to Walpole with him.

Mrs. Franklin Chapman and today from the Central Maine General Hospital and are spending some time with her mother, Mrs. H. C. Rowe.

An appreciative audience enjoyed the concert of timely tunes presented Wednesday evening by the grammar school musical organizations at William Bingham Gymnasium.

NO LIMIT ON RECAPING
After May 1 there will be no restrictions on the number of certificates that may be issued for recapping truck tires. Because recapping takes only one-sixth as much crude rubber as a new tire, the OPA has removed quota restrictions so that the tires will not be driven beyond the recapping point.

Over 5000 baby carriages will be made during the next two months to help meet the anticipated demand for baby carriages. In addition, 100,000 dollies, baby walkers and cribs are authorized for manufacture by June 30.

BETHEL WARNING SIGNALS
First Blue Signal
Steady blast of siren for at least two minutes. Traffic proceed on dim lights with caution. Wardens and other services on duty. Street and house lights out. Listen to radio for instructions and All Clear.

Red Signal
Siren blast of varying pitch for at least two minutes. Complete Blackout. Traffic stops. Seek shelter. Listen to radio.

Second Blue Signal
Steady blast of siren at least two minutes. Traffic proceed on dim lights with caution. Wardens and other services on duty. Street and house lights still out. Listen to radio.

White or All Clear Signal
Will be announced only over radio, or when street lights are turned on.

STATE GUARD SIGNAL
Three blasts, repeated once.

FIRE ALARM SIGNALS
Within Village limits, Two Long Blasts.

Outside Village, One Short, One Long Blast.

WEST PARIS

Mrs. Geneva Tuell, Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Lester H. Penley were pleasantly surprised when neighbors and friends honored them with a surprise party in observance of their 40th wedding anniversary Friday evening. A social evening at cards was enjoyed and refreshments served. A solo by Mrs. Jennie Bates was rendered and the original clippings from a newspaper giving the account was read by Mrs. Phila Mayhew.

All pronounced it a delightful evening and the party broke up at a late hour, wishing Mr. and Mrs. Penley many more years of health and prosperity. A huge bouquet of spring flowers was presented the honored guests and Mrs. Penley received flowers from her husband.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Cole, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Dymont, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Hadley, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ingalls, Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Doughty, Leslie Gibson, William Stearns, Mrs. Phila Mayhew, Mrs. Maud Day, Mrs. Jennie Bates, Mrs. Ethel Penley, Mrs. Helen Smith, Miss Agnes Gray, Mrs. Nettie Chase, Miss Joan Gibson, Warren Gibson, Leon Hadley Jr. and Miss Nellie Nicholson of Lewiston. Those invited but unable to come were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marten, Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Rose, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. William Slattery, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mann, Maynard Chase, Ransom Campbell, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Penley, Leslie Gibson.

There was an impressive baptism and admission to the church at the Universalist Church Sunday morning by the pastor, Rev. Eleanor B. Forbes. It being the 21st anniversary of her first sermon in the Church where she has remained its pastor. Ten people joined the Church, six being young people she had christened when babies. Many beautiful spring flowers and carnations adorned the Church.

P. O. Ralph Packard is home on a weeks furlough from Newport, R. I., called here by the illness of his father, James Packard.

Maynard Chase has arrived home from the C. M. G. Hospital. Henry Noyes has moved from Pioneer Street to the Webb house on Main Street which he has purchased.

Edwin J. Mann is on a fishing trip in New Brunswick with friends.

GROVER HILL
Although many of these May nights it freezes, Forward minded farmers are planting their "peas."

Mrs. B. S. Tyler from East Bethel and son, Cpl. Lawrence Tyler from Camp Shelby, Miss. called to see Mrs. M. F. Tyler one morning last week.

Joseph Spinney of Walpole, N. H., who was called to Bethel by the death of his wife, has been with his sister, Mrs. F. A. Mundt for a few days.

A. J. Peaslee spent one night recently with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Emery at North Bethel.

We are glad to welcome our new neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. James Goodrich of Portsmouth, N. H., who arrived last week to make their home at the Whitman farm which they purchased last year.

THE LOW DOWN FROM HICKORY GROVE
I sorta lean toward comedy that is why you see so much of my laughter to about things that are taking place down there in the shadow of Jefferson's monument. You are 'm down there with a button-hole bouquet, and thumping their chest and basking in Jefferson's greatness. And then they go back to their roll top desk and conceit some anti-Jefferson laws that will put skids under U. S. A. business like as if business was some sort of a highwayman and not something that helps make this country great versus being like some foreign country from which people want to migrate.

People came to the U. S. A. because Jefferson and the others said that people herein are free and equal. Now, the ones in office say we have out-lived the old ideas and should be curbed and done over.

The U. S. A. is okay. Some of us are kinda odd and funny, but you can be that way under the Constitution that Jefferson wrote. Anybody preaching some New Order should be tapped on the shoulder and be asked to sit down.

Yours with the low down,
JO SERRA

PROBATE APPOINTMENTS

The following subscribers hereby give notice that they have received the appointments as indicated from the Probate Court of Oxford County. All persons having demands against the estates represented by them are desired to present the same for settlement and all indebted thereto are requested to make payment immediately:—

Fred H. Evans, late of Paris, deceased; Mildred E. Wescott of Bethel, Administratrix with bond, March 16, 1943.

Archie T. Heath, late of Gilead, deceased; Mabel L. Heath of Gilead, Executrix without bond, April 20, 1943.

Eugene McAllister of Bethel, adult ward; Carroll E. Abbott of Bethel, Conservator with bond, April 20, 1943.

STATE OF MAINE
To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court, held at Paris in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-three, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said April. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen, a newspaper published at Bethel, in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at said Paris, on the third Tuesday of May, A. D. 1943, at 10 of the clock in the forenoon and be heard thereon if they see cause.

A. Walter Arkett, late of Woodstock, deceased; First and Final Account presented for allowance by Hortense A. Chapman, administratrix.

Timothy J. Chapman, late of Gilead, deceased; Combined trust account under the Will of Timothy Chapman, late of Bethel, deceased and also under the Will of Timothy H. Chapman, late of Gilead deceased for the benefit of the Second Congregational Church of Bethel, presented by Charles E. Valentine, surviving Trustee.

Timothy J. Chapman, late of Gilead, deceased; Petition for the appointment of F. Edward Hanscom and Ava H. Austin as successor Trustees under the Will of said deceased for the benefit of Second Congregational Church of Bethel, presented by Charles E. Valentine, surviving Trustee.

Angus Fraser, late of Gilead, deceased; First Account presented for allowance by James A. Fraser, administrator.

Annie C. Hamlin, late of Bethel, deceased; Fifth and final trust account for the benefit of Frank E. Hamlin and Fred A. Hamlin, presented for allowance by Ellery C. Park, trustee.

Raymond F. Tyler, Alice L. Tyler and Warren E. Tyler of Bethel, wards; First and final account presented for allowance by Mildred E. Tyler, guardian.

Almon E. Tyler, late of Bethel, deceased; First account presented for allowance by Mildred E. Tyler, administratrix.

Witness, Albert J. Stearns, Judge of said Court at Paris, this third Tuesday of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and forty-three.

20 EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register.

SOUTH WOODSTOCK
James Holden from West Paris has come back to work for Frank Davis & Son.

Mrs. Lenwood Andrews and daughter Suzanne have returned from a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Woods.

James Packard who has been critically ill is some improved, his son, Vernal Packard of Auburn has been helping to care for him.

Another son, Ralph Packard of the U. S. Navy stationed in Boston has also been with him.

Mrs. Angie Robbins was at her home in Mechanic Falls one day last week to visit her grandson, Clinton Pence, who has been very ill with rheumatic fever.

Honor students graduating from Union School this year are (first) Alfred Allen, (second) Edith Davis, (third) Walter Applebee Jr.

FRANKLIN GRANGE BRYANT POND
Franklin Grange of Bryant Pond met Saturday evening, May 1st. After the regular meeting the following program was presented. Opening Song, Don't Forget The Meeting Tonight.

Roll Call—Something that applies to the farm and its uses, Members Quiz Conducted by the Lecturer.

Discussion: What to do to increase interest of the Grange, Members Closing Song—Smile, Smile, Smile.

BRYANT'S MARKET

- FRI-SAT. SPECIALS -

Sunshine	KRISPY CRACKERS	lb. 19c
Texas Marsh Seedless	Large Bulk PRUNES	lb. 16c
GRAPEFRUIT	3 for 25c	
Fancy Texas ONIONS	lb. 10c	
Swift's Allsweet MARGARINE	5 points lb. 27c	
TOILET SOAPS		
CAMAY	3 bars	
LUX TOILET	20c	
LIFEBUOY		
In order to give you satisfactory delivery service all orders must be in the store by 10 o'clock.		
Sunshine	PURASNOW	24 1/2 lb. bag \$1.36
IGA Evaporated MILK	3 tall cans	29c
Baker's VANILLA	2 oz. bot.	33c
Royal Guest COFFEE	lb. bag	28c
RINSO	2 lge. pkgs.	45c
D U Z	2 lge. pkgs.	45c
Wilbert's No-Rub FLOOR WAX	pt. can	30c

IGA FOOD STORES

ROWE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Rowe of Albany to last Sunday.

Callers at Chestnut day were Charles Bryant Pond; Portland; Mr. and Thayer, Bethel; South Paris; Mrs. ant, Rowe Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald and Virginia camp at Indian Pond were also callers ant's.

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Mrs. Margaret South Paris last Sunday. School class Osman Palmer were in South Paris week.

There was an Osman Palmer's Sunday. School class Beryl Martin brother Glen in Indian Pond and Glen.

SONGO POND
Clayton Penley at Hollis Grindle's Mr. and Mrs. E. Bethel, were at Monday evening.

Mrs. Bertha Ma Mills spent last Tuesday, Mrs. E. children and Mrs.

George Logan was week end from Bethel, were at Tuesday.

Little Gloria Chittis, Dr. Lawrence Mr. and Mrs. A. E. in Berlin, N. H. la

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Mother's Day BOSSERMAN

ROWE HILL

Mr. and Mrs. Colby Ring returned from Albany to their home here last Sunday.

Callers at Chester Record's Sunday were Charles and Mabel Libby, Bryant Pond; Glenwood Libby, Portland; Mr. and Mrs. Woodbury Thayer, Bethel; Howard Record, South Paris; Mrs. Margaret Bryant, Rowe Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Packard, Donald and Virginia, were at their camp at Indian Pond, Sunday. They were also callers at Newton Bryant's.

Wilmer Bryant and Frank Sweetzair finished putting roofing on the house Tuesday.

Rosalia Palmer and Herman visited Mrs. Ray Hanscom at Locke Mills Saturday.

Clyde Dunham and family were on Rowe Hill Sunday.

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SONGO POND

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Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Saunders, Bethel, were at Hollis Grindle's Monday evening.

Mrs. Bertha Mason of Locke Mills spent last Tuesday with her daughter, Mrs. Ethel Childs and children and Mrs. Mae Grindle.

George Logan was home over the week end from Bath.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Skillings, Bethel, were at their son's, Albert's Tuesday.

Little Gloria Childs is ill with tonsillitis. Dr. Lawrence was called. Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Kimball were in Berlin, N. H. last Friday.

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Mother's Day Cards
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BOSSERMAN'S DRUG STORE

EAST BETHEL

Urban Bartlett's family have been having bad colds and Dorothy Ann had the asthma so badly that she had to have the doctor.

John Fifield came Thursday to stay some time at W. S. Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. Z. Willis Bartlett and children of Kennebunk were at Urban Bartlett's Sunday.

Mrs. E. A. Trask is ill with a bad cold.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Mellen Kimball and daughter, Phyllis of Five Islands spent the week end with their parents here and at Locke Mills returning home Monday evening.

The next Farm Bureau meeting will be held May 14 with H. D. A. Miss Walsh in charge of the "Clothing Clinic." Every one is urged to attend this meeting. Also the meeting June 2nd when Mrs. Theresa Anderson shows a motion picture "Middletown goes to War" and gives a health lecture. As she is a very interesting speaker everyone will want to hear her.

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LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Correspondent

Albert Swan, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Swan and Robert Swan visited Aviation Cadet Lee Swan at the University of Vermont over the week end.

Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Lapham of Rumford were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Ring and family.

Mrs. Hannah Coolidge returned to her home Sunday after spending the winter at Norway.

There was a Farm Bureau meeting at the town hall Tuesday. Dinner was served at noon.

Mrs. Hollis Parker has returned home after visiting her mother, Mrs. Ida Spinney in Connecticut. She also visited her brother, Sgt. Zelwood Gravelin, formerly of this place who was on leave and visiting in Connecticut.

Mrs. Hartley Hanscom of North Newry has been a recent guest of relatives here.

WANTED—Juniper berries, see ad.

At the supper for members and their families of the Red Cross at the town hall Tuesday evening, Father John Conley of Hebron, Chaplain of the State Guard, spoke, and also Mrs. Fannie Cummings, State President of the American Legion Auxiliary. Mrs. Florence Ring reported on the War Recreation conference at Augusta that she attended last week. The following officers were elected: Chairman, Mrs. Bertha Davis; Vice Chairman, Mrs. Emma Day; Chairman of Junior Red Cross, Mrs. Ruth Ring; Secretary-Treasurer, Mrs. Norma Tirrell; Home Service Chairman, Mrs. Edith Littlefield; Production Committee, Mrs. Emma Day.

Herman Cummings, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cummings, cut his thumb on the right hand badly while using an electric power saw the first of the week. He is unable to attend school.

ALBANY TOWN HOUSE
and vicinity
Mrs. Annie Bumpus, Correspondent

L. J. Andrews sold a cow and two bulls to Fred Hersey of North Waterford recently.

Mr. Duke conducted the Church service at the Town House Sunday afternoon. There was an attendance of eight.

Junior Lapham observed his 13th birthday Sunday, May 2nd. Mrs. Sarah Andrews and Mrs. Annie Bumpus each gave him a cake.

Martin Lyden has been ill with a bad cold and under a doctor's care.

Mrs. Ray Andrews and son, Linwood visited in North Waterford, Monday.

Howard Inman is leaving Wednesday of this week to be inducted into the Armed Forces. A party of friends hung him a Maybasket Sunday evening.

Callers at Ray Lapham's Sunday were Walter Lapham and sons Tony and Norman of Bath, Fred Littlefield and Bud Payne.

Will Adams has sold his heifer.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hersey of North Waterford visited their daughter, Sarah Andrews, Sunday. Ray Lapham and son, Junior attended the pictures at Bethel, Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lapham and family of Bath spent the week end at Warren Lapham's.

Mrs. Dorothy Merriam and daughter, Marilyn, and Miss Sibyl Bangs of Auburn were supper guests at Harlan Bumpus' Saturday, May 1st in honor of Edwin Bumpus' 13th birthday.

NEWRY CORNER

Mrs. Ernest Holt who recently underwent surgery at the New England Baptist Hospital in Boston returned home this week.

Mrs. Elvira Bartlett is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Bennett Bartlett. Herbert Morton Jr. and family were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Richardson in Auburn.

The next Farm Bureau meeting will be May 25 on Clothing Clinics at Mrs. Bertha Davis' home under the H. D. A's supervision.

SOUTH BETHEL

We were all sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Joe Spinney, who passed away Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. James A. Spinney.

Joe Spinney is at the home of Mrs. Fred Mundt for a few days.

James Spinney was home a few hours one day last week and also was home over Sunday last week from Portland.

Mrs. Fred Mundt spent Saturday at the home of James Spinney.

Ernest Brooks recently visited his brother, Frank Brooks.

Horace Tebbetts and Florence Hewey were in Lewiston Saturday shopping.

The Mason girls have finished their work in Norway and are at home.

Richard Kirk is working in Norway.

Miss Barbara Buckman is working in Norway.

Mrs. Brooks' sisters from Portland and Norway spent Sunday with her.

(deferred) We were all sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Kirk's mother, Mrs. Bean. Much sympathy goes to the family.

Mrs. Delano has returned to her work at Locke Mills.

Mrs. Harold Tibbets and children have returned home after spending the week in Fairfield.

NORTH WOODSTOCK

A surprise birthday party was given Linwood Felt by his wife last Thursday evening at his home. Games were enjoyed by all and refreshments of coffee, sandwiches, cake, candy and peanuts were served. He received many useful gifts. Those present were Lloyd Davis, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Whitman and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Her-

Mrs. Cliton Buck, Mr. and Mrs. man Cole, son Richard, Mr. and Mrs. Cliton Buck, Mr. and Mrs. Everett Cole, Mrs. Hanne Cushman, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Dudley, Mr. and Mrs. George Cushman, Elwin, Irving and Avis, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Felt and son Richard, Mrs. Linwood Felt.

Mrs. Hattie Brown visited her daughter, Mrs. Cliton Buck, and family, Monday night and Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole and son Richard and Mrs. Mary Knights were at Greenwood City Sunday. They called to see Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Bacon at West Paris.

Mrs. John Knights of Tuell Town, West Paris, called at C. Jarro's, Knights' last Thursday evening.

Mrs. Clinton Buck returned to her work at Mann's mill Saturday. She had been at home sick for several weeks.

Hanno Chisholm has been sick. Mrs. Julia Baker of Portland was the week end guest of her daughter, Mrs. Everett Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Cole were at Bethel on business one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard McMillan of Connecticut visited his mother, Mrs. Mertie Hurd, last week.

Miss Pauline Stevens of Bethel was a recent guest of her uncle, Harry Stevens, and aunt, Mrs. Stevens.

GREENWOOD CITY

Mr. and Mrs. Lauri Tamminen and son of Yarmouth were week end guests of their parents in town.

Mrs. Anna Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Hayes, and Elmer Hayes were callers at Estes Yates' in Woodstock on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Galen Curtis and Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morgan spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Curtis and father, Ernest Curtis, at Tabbs District.

All roads are much improved since the rain.

Nancy Johnson and Ruth Morgan visited friends on Young Hill on Saturday.

Elmer Hayes has purchased a new horse.

BRYANT POND

Mrs. Inez Whitman, Correspondent

Judith Grover Tent No 17, D. of U. V. entertained the Department President, Margaret Foster of Waterville at their regular meeting, Tuesday, April 27th. Mrs. Foster was accompanied by Mrs. Villa Caswell, a Past Department officer, also of Waterville. The Department President spoke interestingly of the visit of the National President in Waterville, April 20th. She also announced that the Department Convention will be held in Lewiston this year on June 7th and 8th. Preceding the Tent meeting at the home of Mrs. Inez Whitman, a supper was served at the home of Mrs. Bessie Andrews. Mrs. Andrews was assisted in serving by Helen Ring and Arlene Swan. 14 members were present.

At the annual meeting of the Bryant Pond Baptist Church, Monday evening May 2. The following officers were elected:

Deacons—Roy Newton, H. Kirke Stowell.

Deaconesses—Fannie Howe, Mrs. Keckhwetter.

Trustees—Porter Swan, Nellie Billings, Clarence Cole.

Treasurer—Mildred Dunham.

Clerk—Edna Newton.

Bank Committee—Verna Swan, Lottie Hemmingway, Miriam McAllister.

Missionary Committee—Mildred Dunham, Inez Whitman, Pearl Cole.

Pulpit Committee—Lottie Hemmingway, Fannie Howe, Roy Newton, Arthur Andrews.

Music Committee—Margaret Howe, Gertrude Redman, Rev. Mr. Keckhwetter.

Membership Committee—Fannie Howe, Edna Newton, Inez Whitman.

Ways and Means Committee—H. Kirke Stowell, Bessie Andrews, Margaret Howe, Edith Whitman.

Visiting Committee—Rev. Mr. Keckhwetter, Mrs. Keckhwetter, Edna Newton.

Flower Committee—Nellie Sweett, Lottie Hemmingway, Gertrude Davis.

Ushers Robert McKeen, Dexter Stowell, Kenneth Swan.

Rev. Franklin Keckhwetter, pastor of the Baptist Church presented a fine sermon Sunday, May 2, "A Christian Walk," Text, Ephesians 5: 2-8-15. At the evening service Rev. Keckhwetter sang a solo "Saved by Grace."

Mrs. Lola Foster, who has spent the winter with Mrs. Florence Cushman, returned Saturday to her home at Locke Mills.

Michael, year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elden Hathaway is very sick at the Rumford Community Hospital.

Ida Farnum and Mildred Buck have returned to their work at Mann's Mill after being at home for some time with illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Farnum, Mrs. Herbert McErve and Frank Hayes have all been sick.

Mrs. Inez Whitman and daughter, Edith Whitman, Alice Chute, Orissa, Wakott, Barbara Coffey and Arlene Swan were in Norway Saturday.

The comedy "Cyclone Sally" will be presented at the Grange Hall Saturday, May 8, with the following cast:

Jack Webster, owner of the Webster Estate, Donald Brown, Regine Manners, a young Englishman, adept at plucking peaches, Robert McKee, Jim Jenkins, courted for twenty years but not yet discouraged, Harris Hathaway.

Willie Clump, Sue Bascom's beau and the world's eighth wonder, Dexter Lowell.

Sally Graham, "Cyclone Sally," Muriel Scott.

Jenny Thatcher, forty and the object of Jim's persistence, Annie Bryant.

Ruth Thatcher, a peach Reggie would like to pick, Olive Howe.

Effie Varden, a cute little neighbor, Gloria Hobbs.

Vivian Vernon, the belle of Cedar Point, Margaret Howe.

(deferred) Mrs. Margaret Bryant was in South Paris last Wednesday.

Osman Palmer and Lee Sumner were in South Paris Monday this week.

There was an Easter Party at Osman Palmer's Sunday. All the Sunday School classes attended. Beryl Martin is helping his brother Glen in the woods below Indian Pond and is boarding with Glen.

There was a heavy rainfall Monday which should settle the roads and was much needed.

(deferred) Mrs. Margaret Bryant was in South Paris last Wednesday. Osman Palmer and Lee Sumner were in South Paris Monday this week.

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By **BAUKHAGE**
News Analyst and Commentator.

WNU Service, Union Trust Building
Washington, D. C.

Recently I had to make seven consecutive week-end trips between Washington and New York—I left Washington after a late Friday broadcast and had to return Monday for one at noon. Not once was I able to get reservations for the return trip until at the last minute when some unused space was turned in.

If I groused a little too loudly over this, it may have been because I didn't know then what I learned officially only the other day; namely, that "if the war department insisted in having all the Pullman equipment it could use, all the Pullman cars of the country would be carrying troops."

In other words, if Johnny Doughboy didn't step aside occasionally, we'd all use coaches or walk.

Compromise

The present arrangement is said to be a compromise in recognition of essential civilian needs. At present, a million and three-quarter soldiers are being moved a month—that is 50,000 a day—in America's trains in official troop movements. This does not include the many men on leave.

There are, of course, movements of whole divisions with full equipment but these are the exceptions. As you have probably noticed if you travel very much, there are usually a few cars containing troops attached to your passenger train. This is the way most of the troops are transported—in small groups of 250 or less. However, that is a considerable addition to the regular passenger traffic.

It's said a soldier eats twice as much as he did in civilian life and that is one reason why food has to be rationed to civilians. But he travels a lot more in proportion to his normal civilian peregrinations. Many a man saw his first big city when he reached London or Cairo or New Delhi. I know a pilot who dropped in at the airport here recently and had several hours wait-over. When he was asked why he didn't cross the bridge and look the capital over, he said he'd never been in a big city and didn't want to get lost. The next thing heard from this particular was that he was in Calcutta.

Average Number

In the last war, the average number of moves made by a soldier were three. Here is a list of typical moves he makes in this war, drawn up by the Office of War Information:

1. To the induction center
2. To reception center
3. To replacement training center
4. To his particular branch of service
5. To big maneuvers
6. Return
7. To special training areas
8. To part of embarkation

Special studies are made to cut down unnecessary cross-hauling but sudden developments abroad may force soldiers who are located near one port to be shifted to another far away. Or a special need for particularized training may arise and that may force men to be doubled back to desert or mountain for the specialized practice in snow or under a hot sun that new requirements make necessary.

Maneuvers in the southeast and southwest, including the desert

training areas of California, have sometimes required the moving in of as many as 300,000 men within a few weeks, equipment and all. Naturally, that disrupted a large part of passenger traffic for several weeks at a time.

Unessential Travel

Efforts are being made to cut down extra passenger travel by discouraging conventions, trade shows, big sports contests and other gatherings. One exception has been made, and that is the lecturer. Even the President saw fit to come out with a statement encouraging the continuation of the work of lecture bureaus. He expressed himself to Lowell Thomas, who traveled to Washington, on that subject—the plea for a good word for the speaker. Thomas represented many people who do considerable public speaking. I know how difficult it is, I, myself, have been unable to accept lecture dates because it is so difficult to be certain of connections and a broadcaster has to move with the regularity of a train schedule—a train schedule in peace time—the microphone waits for no man.

There have been rumors of late that transportation was snagged; that because of the U-boats, supplies were piling up on the docks and loaded freight cars were jamming the yards and causing congestion. But the Office of War Information says that latest advice indicate that congestion is being lessened. In fact, the official word is: "The battle of transportation... at a crisis at Pearl Harbor time... is now being won."

Nearing Limit

I hope that this statement isn't over-optimistic. As a matter of fact, the reservation is noted that "the

victories are not necessarily permanent. Our transportation equipment, with few exceptions, is being used close to its limits—and there remain two situations which are not satisfactory, one is movement of oil and the other is the problem of getting the war workers to and from work.

The latter difficulty is responsible, according to some investigators, for much of the recently decried absenteeism.

To get an idea of what the traffic has to bear in a city where war industries are concentrated, there has been an increase of use of the Detroit street railway systems of 76.9 per cent. The Baltimore transit line is up 90 per cent and the Washington, 131 per cent. I know what these figures mean as does anyone who has to make his way to and from work in the capital. I have also seen that fabulous city of San Diego, once a pleasant, sleepy town which seemed to move lazily with the pelicans that flew over the bay or the whispering palms. The pelicans have been replaced by planes and it's a 24-hour town, with a 336 per cent increase in the use of its busses and trolley cars.

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Four hundred thousand women will be working in American shipyards by the end of 1943, according to Mary Elizabeth Pidgeon, chief of the research division, women's bureau, U. S. department of labor. They are doing the jobs that men have done and they are receiving the same rates of pay.

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MRS. LILIAN TRUE BRYANT

Mrs. Lilian True Bryant died at the Central Maine General Hospital, Lewiston, last Wednesday, where she was taken the day before. She had been in poor health for many years. She was born in Bethel nearly 72 years ago, the youngest daughter of Dr. Nathaniel and Susanna Stevens True.

Mrs. Bryant was educated at Gould Academy and Miss Hersey's school in Boston, and later studied in Berlin, Germany. She was exceptionally gifted as a musician and was an author and poet of some note, many of her poems being published in the London Anthology. She married Dr. Bertram L. Bryant, formerly of Bethel and for many years a prominent physician in Bangor, who passed May 10, 1940. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Katherine Wakefield of Texas.

Funeral services were held at Greenleaf's funeral home Friday afternoon, Rev. H. T. Wallace officiating. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

Sunday, May 9

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Herbert T. Wallace, Minister
11.00 a. m. Morning worship.
Sermon subject, "The Resources of Life." We remember Mothers' Day.
6.30 p. m. Pilgrim Fellowship.
This will be the closing meeting for the season.

METHODIST CHURCH
BETHEL TEMPLE
M. A. Gordon, pastor
9.45 Church School. Miss McInnis Wilson, supt. Classes for all.
11.00 Sunday Morning Worship
The service will be under the direction of the Young People in observance of Mothers' Day. This will include a solo, "Mother of Mine," by Ann Litchard; mixed quartette, "God Bless Our Mothers," Mary Gibbs, Rachel Gordon, Robert Greenleaf, Stanley Davis; solo, "Dear Little Mother," Stanley Davis.
6.30 Epworth League (Youth Fellowship).

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH
Services Sunday morning at 10:45.
Wednesday evening meetings on second Wednesday of each month. "Adam and fallen man" is the subject of the Lesson-Sermon that will be read in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, May 9.
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Morning Worship 11:15 Subject, Mothers of Old.
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In South Woodstock, April 27, by Rev. Alton Verrill, Miles Morgan and Miss Meriam Irene Hendrickson.
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In Holyoke, Mass., April 29, Edward F. Coburn of Andover, aged 75 years.
In Westfield, N. J., May 3, Miss Clara Mary Silver, aged 21 years.
In Bethel, May 1, Mrs. Mildred Spinney, wife of Joe Spinney, aged 67 years.
In Lewiston, April 28, Mrs. Lilian True Bryant, aged 71 years.

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White Mountain National Forest
Forest Guard Steve McLain has now moved to the Wild River Guard Station, where he will be located for the remainder of the field season. Steve and the Ranger spent the major part of last week on the Maine end of the District making final arrangements for fire season. Jack McKenzie reports that there is still around two feet of snow in this section but that this is expected to go fast from now on. An accumulation of slash from recent logging operations makes the fire problem acute in that section this year.

Arrangements have been made by the Selectmen of the Town of Gorham to purchase one hundred cords of fuel wood which was cut this winter by the Peabody C. P. S. Camp No. 53. The wood was originally cut for camp use during the current season but abandonment of the camp makes possible its release to the town for relief purposes.

During the last few weeks the Fire Department of the Town of Gorham has supervised the burning of a number of fields within the town limits. The department figures that this is good business and that many needless calls are thereby saved during the course of the dry season. There is a lesson in this method for all of us. Burn only when it is safe to do so and have plenty of help on hand to control the fire.

HANOVER

Miss Georgia Abbott has returned to her home in town, after spending the winter at Elsie's Nursing Home in Rumford.

Mrs. Fred Douglass was a Sunday guest of Mrs. Frank Douglass. Arthur Howe suffered an ill turn last week.

Miss Rose Howe has received news of the birth of a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Chester Howe in Florida.

Vernon Lapham recently purchased a car of his brother.

Mrs. Addie Farwel of Bethel is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Cummings.

Mrs. Eva Hayford is gaining from her recent illness.

MORGAN—HENDRICKSON

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Flemming at South Woodstock was the scene of a quiet candle light wedding on Tuesday evening, April 27 at 8:30 o'clock when their niece, Meriam Irene Hendrickson, became the bride of Miles Morgan.

The double ring ceremony was performed by Rev. Alton Verrill beneath an arch entwined with crepe paper and evergreen with a large white wedding bell suspended from the center, and potted plants at the side. During the ceremony "I Love You Truly" was sung by Mrs. Myrtle Thurlow, aunt of the bride.

The bride wore a navy blue suit with accessories of white and carried an arm bouquet of white carnations. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Alta Waterhouse, who wore luggage brown and carried an arm bouquet of pink carnations. The groom was attended by George Waterhouse.

Little Elaine Thurlow was flower girl and dressed in blue taffeta, while little Nadine Waterhouse was ring bearer and wore yellow taffeta.

Following the ceremony a buffet lunch was served, the wedding cake being made by the bride's mother, Mrs. Wilma Hendrickson.

Mrs. Morgan is the daughter of Mr. and Mr. Alva Hendrickson of South Woodstock and is a graduate of Woodstock High School.

Mr. Morgan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Morgan of Bryant Pond and attended Woodstock schools.

The couple have now returned from a brief wedding trip and are at the home of the bride's parents, where the groom is employed by Mr. Hendrickson.

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Average of all grades above a mark of 90. Numbers indicate number of times on honor roll this year. Seniors: Louisa Bacon 5, Rachel Gordon 5, Constance Sawyer 5. Juniors: James Reid 3. Sophomores: Priscilla Carver 5, Robert Foster 4, Claire Lapham 5, Donald Morrill 1, Musa Swan 5, Phyllis Tebbets 5. Freshmen: Louise Bacon 1, Colleen Bennett 1, Patricia Cooley 5, Margery Howard 4, Nellie Lapham 3, Marilyn Noyes 4, Priscilla Ring 5.

Certificate Honor Roll

Average of all grades above a mark of 80. Seniors: Alice Bennett 5, Nora Chipman 2, Ida Lee Clough 5, Lincoln Colby 3, Irene Goodrich 5, Herbertina Norton 5, Barbara Poole 1, Margaret Spaulding 3, Thomas Thompson (Mass.) 1, Marion Waterhouse 5. Juniors: Anne Aldrich 5, Francis Berry 3, George Bryant 5, Betty Burton 4, Peggy Cates 4, Margaret Chaffee 2, Barbara Coolidge 5, Sherman Emery 2, Beatrice Forbes 1, Francis Gilman 5, Margaret Hanscom 4, David Hawkins 4, Mave Jones 3, Doris Mann 1, Carol Robertson 2, Joan Witham 1. Sophomores: Mary Gibbs 4, John Mills 4, Roy Packard 2, Pauline Philbrick 5, Joan Prince 5, Barbara Wilson 2. Freshmen: Francis Bean 1, Donald Brooks 4, Priscilla Goggin 4, John Greenleaf 5, Lendall Nevens 3, Helen Robertson 2.

Girls' Gym Exhibition
The Girls' Athletic Council will hold their Gym Exhibition on May 14 at 7:30 p. m. in the William Bingham Gymnasium. Everyone is invited to attend. Program: Apparatus Exhibition. "Minuet," Modern Dance Group. Freshman Marching and Gymnastics (competitive). (A modern version of the old dance form). Sophomore Marching and Gymnastics (competitive). Volleyball Game. (A championship game to determine the winner of the Interclass Volleyball Tournament). Junior Marching and Gymnastics (competitive). Stunt Program. Freshmen Senior Marching and Gymnastics.

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